Howard County BRAC Task Force (HC-BRAC-TF)

Task Force Memorandum: 2008-05

For: Howard County BRAC Constituency

Subject: Update on Fort Meade Growth Impacts and Opportunities

Date: 4 April 2008

Originator: Kent Menser, Executive Director of the HC BRAC Office

<u>Purpose</u>: The purpose of this memorandum is to update our Fort Meade Growth/BRAC constituency on the latest actions, events and schedules related to this important effort. If I have left out important information or you have a great solution to an issue, please let me know. Kent Menser 410-313-6521 or kmenser@howardcountymd.gov

Background:

HC BRAC Task Force Meetings:

- o 9 April 2008 (Canceled)
- o 14 May 2008
- o 11 June 2008

Meeting Location (Same for all meetings): Howard County Gateway Office Building 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive (First Floor)

Columbia, Maryland. Time: 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM:

- Task Force Phase III: This is a busy time across Howard County and a very busy time within our Howard County BRAC Task Force. We are now in Phase III start up. Most of our committees have had their first meeting of Phase III and many of our committees are welcoming one or two new members. As you may recall, we have four major priorities in Phase III:
 - State BRAC Action Plan: One of the key actions in the BRAC Plan review is our committees meeting with their state counterparts in order to better understand the plan and its relationship to Howard County goals and objectives. For example, our Work Force Development Committee will be meeting with Andy Moser, Assistant Secretary of Workforce Development, Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and Eric Seleznow, Executive Director, Governor's Workforce Investment Board next week. This is a great example for other committees to emulate.
 - Silo Crunching: Task Force Members understand that for us to grasp the true impact of Fort Meade Growth on our county, we had to take a detailed look at seven functional areas(housing, infrastructure, education and more) throughout the six county Fort Meade Region. It would have made our Task Force work much easier if we could treat each one of these areas like an individual bucket and examine the contents one container at a time. Unfortunately, the bucket analogy works, but the reality is that the seven buckets are upside down and all the contents have mixed together and are constantly interacting! The relationships between affordable housing, work force development and transportation is just one example. If someone wants to work at Fort Meade, but cannot afford to live in the adjacent counties and the traffic congestion discourages driving through those counties, that person may not make the move to this region and will look for a job someplace else. If you have ideas and/or experience in crunching silos, give me call.

- Phase II Completion: All of our committees are in the process of either completing or updating phase II/long term tasks. The Infrastructure Committee has made exceptional progress in this area.
- <u>Regionalism:</u> We keep repeating that Fort Meade Growth is all about regionalism. Counties are not like islands in the Pacific Ocean, we are all intertwined by transportation, housing availability, infrastructure, public safety, work force development and many other connections. Some people believe, that in the end, the most significant impact that this growth will have on the state will be improved planning, coordination and cooperation between the counties. We have already seen evidence of this in two of the organizations that we are members; Fort Meade Regional Growth Management Committee and the Local Government Subcommittee under the BRAC Subcabinet. Look for increased involvement between the Howard County Task Force and the Regional Committee in the near future.

Howard County BRAC Task Force:

BRAC TF Committees	Co-Chair	Co-Chair
Work Force Housing	Tom Ballentine	Stacey Spann
Public Safety	Joseph Herr	William McMahon
Education	Bob Price	Roger Plunkett
Transportation	Ron Meliker	Carl Balser
Infrastructure	Wayne Wilhelm	Steve Gerwin
Health and Human Services	Vidia Dhanraj	Lois Mikkila
Workforce Development	Francine Trout	Patty Keeton
Family Support	Rosi Melendez	Diane Pelesh
Lessons Learned	Dwight Hollenbach	
Plans and Analysis Team	Jean Friedberg	
Resource Partners	Theo Bell	
Executive	Sam Seymour	

Discussion:

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o <u>Family Support Committee</u>: We are very excited about adding this committee to our Task Force. Their mission will be to identify the challenges and best practices that new military, civil service and other families either confront or apply when they move into the county. The Co-chairs, Rosi Melendez and Diane Pelesh have great knowledge and experience in this subject area. We have nearly completed our staffing of this committee and I am looking for lawyer volunteer with either legislative experience and/or interest to round out this important

- organization. If you meet these qualifications, want to contribute, and have fun, give me a call. (410-313-6521)
- o Fort Meade Tour: I want to set up a tour of Fort Meade for members of the Task Force and other interested parties. Conceptually, this might start at 10 A M, include drive around the installation, museum tour and lunch. Please send your name by email to Jill jjoubert@howardcountymd.gov by the end of April if you have an interest in going. I want to get an idea on the attendance before I plan further.
- O DISA Groundbreaking: This event is taking place at 10 AM on 16 April on Fort Meade. We received 30 invitations and they are filled. If you are not on our list and want to go, Jill can put you on our waiting list, with no guarantees. I will be getting more information for attendees next week. But, as I have stated before, if you are going, at the latest, you need to be at the appropriate Fort Meade Gate by 9 AM. More to follow on this.

• The Latest NUMBERS:

Defense Information Agency (DISA)

- $\frac{4,272}{}$ Personnel/Positions (2010)
 - 392 Military
 - 2.407 Government Civilians
 - 1,473 Imbedded Contractors
- **§** Program Amount: \$441,673,000
- **§** Fund Type/FY: BRAC 05, FY 08/09/10/11
- **§** Delivery Method: Design-Build (MT)
- § Architect/Engineer: HSMM/HOK Joint Venture
- § Anticipated Contract Duration: 36 months
- **§** Description: 1,070,515 SF administrative space; multi-story facilities in campus setting; shared IT ductbank with DMA
- § Status: Contract awarded on 29 February 2008 to Hensel-Phelps Construction Company

o Defense Media Activities (DMA)

- **§** <u>663 Personnel/Positions</u> (2008 and 2010)
- § 217 Military
- § 314 Government Civilians
- § 132 Imbedded Contractors
- **§** Program Amount: ~\$61,000,000
- **§** Fund Type/FY: BRAC 05, FY 09/10
- **§** Delivery Method: Design-Bid-Build (MT)
- § Architect/Engineer: HSMM/HOK Joint Venture
- **§** Ready to Advertise: 29 August 2008
- § Anticipated Award Date: 15 January 2009
- § Anticipated Contract Duration: ~26 months
- **§** Description: 185,870 SF administrative space; televideo/media production centers; multi-story facility; shared IT ductbank with DISA
- **§** Status: Updating 3086 by NLT 27 Feb

Adjudication Activities Co-location

- § 759 Personnel/Positions (2010)
- **§** Program Amount: ~\$52,000,000
- **§** Fund Type/FY: BRAC 05, FY 09
- § Delivery Method: Design-Bid-Build (MT)

- **§** Architect/Engineer: HSMM/HOK Joint Venture
- **§** Ready to Advertise: 29 August 2008
- § Anticipated Award Date: 20 January 2009
- § Anticipated Contract Duration: ~24 months
- § Description: 151,978 SF administrative/SCIF space for adjudication activities from the four services and DoD; multi-story facility
- § Status: Preliminary design review scheduled 31 Mar 4 Apr

o Enhanced Use Lease (EUL)

§ Negotiations between the Federal Government, Anne Arundel County and Trammell Crow are ongoing. The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this action states that up to 10,000 personnel could work on this site.

o National Security Agency

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o Other Growth on Fort Meade

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